

words: "twelve per cent damage on the amount of such loss, together with."

No. 3. Amend Senate Bill No. 157 by striking out the words: "policy" or "policies" wherever they appear and substitute in lieu thereof the words: "certificate" or certificates."

Committee Room.

Austin, Texas, Feb. 3, 1927.

Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Insurance, have had Senate Bill No. 206, under consideration, and I am instructed to report same with recommendations that it do pass.

MOORE, of Hunt, Chairman.

Austin, Texas, Feb. 3, 1927.

Committee Room.

Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Insurance, have had Senate Bill No. 158, under consideration, and I am instructed to report same with recommendations that it do pass.

MOORE, of Hunt, Chairman.

Committee Room.

Austin, Texas, Feb. 3, 1927.

Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Insurance, have had Senate Bill No. 242, under consideration, and I am instructed to report same with recommendations that it do pass.

MOORE, of Hunt, Chairman.

Committee Room.

Austin, Texas, Feb. 3, 1927.

Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Labor, to whom was referred,

S. B. No. 117, entitled "An Act to amend Section 6, Article 8306, Part 1 of Title 130 Revised Statutes of 1925, by changing the waiting period and date on which compensation shall begin to accrue, and declaring an emergency."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do not pass, but that the Committee Substitute for S. B. No. 117 entitled,

An Act to amend Section 6, Article 8306, Part 1 of Title 130, Revised Civil Statutes of 1925, by providing that if the incapacity continues for four (4) weeks or longer

compensation shall be computed from the inception of such incapacity, and declaring an emergency.

Do pass as the Committee Substitute for said bill.

McFARLANE, Vice Chairman.

SIXTEENTH DAY.

Senate Chamber,

Austin, Texas,

Friday, February 4, 1927.

The Senate met at 10 o'clock a. m. pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by Lieutenant Governor Barry Miller.

The roll was called, a quorum being present the following Senators answering to their names:

Bailey.	Neal.
Berkeley.	Parr.
Bledsoe.	Pollard.
Bowers.	Price.
Fairchild.	Real.
Floyd.	Reid.
Greer.	Russek.
Hall.	Smith.
Hardin.	Stuart.
Holbrook.	Triplett.
Lewis.	Ward.
Love.	Wirtz.
McFarlane.	Witt.
Miller.	Wood.
Moore.	Woodward.

Absent—Excused.

Westbrook.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Pending the reading of the Journal of yesterday, the same was dispensed with on motion of Senator Woodward.

Petitions and Memorials.

(See Appendix.)

Committee Reports.

(See Appendix.)

Senate Bill No. 240.

On the motion of Senator Wirtz, S. B. No. 240 was ordered printed upon the minority report.

Message From the House.

The Chair recognized the Doorkeeper, who introduced a messenger from the House with the following message:

Hall of the House of Representatives.
Austin, Texas, Feb. 4, 1927.
Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: I am directed by the House to inform the Senate that the House has passed the following bills:
With Amendment—

S. B. No. 17, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 1802, Chapter 1, of Title 32, of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas of 1925, relating to the purposes for which private corporations may be formed by adding thereto a section to be known as Section 89 so as to provide that corporations may be formed, for the purpose of engaging in the poultry business and to buy and sell poultry of all kinds with the right to acquire and own all property necessary to conduct such business, and declaring an emergency."

With Amendments—

S. B. No. 28, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Section 1 of an Act passed by the Thirty-ninth Legislature of Texas, and being Chapter 87 of the Acts of the Regular Session of the Thirty-ninth Legislature, constituting and organizing Courts of Civil Appeals therein; creating the Twelfth Supreme Judicial District of Texas, with Wichita Falls as the site of said court; providing for the appointment and qualification of the judges of said Twelfth Supreme Judicial District and other officers thereof; providing for the transfer of cases and regulating appeals from the lower courts of the counties constituting said Twelfth Supreme Judicial District of Texas; making appropriation for the support of said court, and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 29, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 7949 of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas of 1925, relating to the appointment of Notaries Public."

Respectfully submitted,

C. L. PHINNEY,

Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

Senate Bill No. 28.

On the motion of Senator McFarlane, the Senate concurred in the following House amendments to S. B. No. 28:

Amend Senate bill No. 28 by inserting in caption in line 18 after the word "amending" and before the word "section" the following: "Arti-

cle one hundred ninety-eight (198) of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas for 1895, same being."

Amend Senate bill No. 28 by inserting in Section 1, in line 31, after the word "that" and before the word "section" the following: "Article one hundred ninety-eight (198) of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas for 1925, same being."

The amendments were concurred in by the following vote:

Yeas—29.

Bailey.	Parr.
Berkeley.	Pollard.
Bledsoe.	Price.
Bowers.	Real.
Fairchild.	Reid.
Floyd.	Russek.
Greer.	Smith.
Hall.	Stuart.
Hardin.	Triplett.
Holbrook.	Ward.
Lewis.	Wirtz.
Love.	Witt.
McFarlane.	Wood.
Miller.	Woodward.
Neal.	

Absent.

Moore.

Absent—Excused.

Westbrook.

Senate Bill No. 17.

On the motion of Senator Woodward, the Senate concurred in the following House amendments to S. B. No. 17.

Amend Senate bill No. 17 by adding between lines 36 and 37, page 1, the following: "Section 90. Private corporations may be formed for the purpose of engaging in the business of operating, conducting and maintaining a cafeteria or cafeterias, with authority to own, lease and operate all plants, equipment and facilities necessary, incident or pertaining thereto. The right to operate shall not conflict with any ordinance of any incorporated city or town in which such business shall be operated."

Amend Senate bill No. 17 by adding a semicolon after word "business" in line 26, page 1, and striking out the words "and declaring an emergency," and insert the following: "Providing for the formation of

private corporations for the purpose of engaging in the business of operating, conducting and maintaining a cafeteria or cafeterias, with authority to own, lease and operate all plants, equipment and facilities necessary, incident or pertaining thereto, and declaring an emergency."

By inserting between the words "business" and "creates," line 1, page 2, the following: "And the further fact that no provision is made for incorporated cafeterias."

The amendments were concurred in by the following vote:

Yeas—29.

Bailey.	Parr.
Berkeley.	Pollard.
Bledsoe.	Price.
Bowers.	Real.
Fairchild.	Reid.
Floyd.	Russek.
Greer	Smith.
Hall.	Stuart.
Hardin.	Triplett.
Holbrook.	Ward.
Lewis.	Wirtz.
Love.	Witt.
McFarlane.	Wood.
Miller.	Woodward.
Neal.	

Absent.

Moore.

Absent—Excused.

Westbrook.

Bills and Resolutions.

By Senator Berkeley:

S. B. No. 265, A bill to be entitled "An Act transferring the civil and criminal jurisdiction of the county court of Edwards County to the district court of said county; providing that hereafter said county court shall have jurisdiction only in probate matters; providing for the transfer of cases and making provision for all things incidental to the purpose of this Act, and declaring an emergency."

Read first time and referred to Committee on Judicial Districts.

By Senator Woodward:

S. B. No. 266, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Article 1109, Chapter 10, of the Revised Statutes of the State of Texas, so as to make same applicable to all cities and towns and, by adding thereto Sections 7, 8 and 9, extending the priv-

ileges and rights granted under said Article to public utilities corporations and associations operating under a franchise granted by such cities and towns and engaged in the business of supplying cities and towns with water; and authorizing said cities and towns owning and operating their own water works systems, and public utilities corporations and associations engaged in the business of supplying cities and towns with water for fire protection and domestic consumption, to acquire by purchase, gift, or by the exercise of eminent domain, riparian and prescriptive rights and other rights, to the use of water and providing that when so acquired, such riparian, prescriptive and other water rights shall be detached from the land to which they formerly belonged; and further providing that the water supply of such cities and towns and such public utilities corporations and associations so supplying such cities and towns with water, shall be augmented to the extent of the amount of water and the use thereof so acquired that was formerly appurtenant to and used by any tract of land involved in any condemnation proceeding authorized by the provisions of this Article, and declaring an emergency."

Read first time and referred to Committee on Towns and City Corporations.

By Senator Price:

S. B. No. 267, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Articles 904 and 904a of the State of Texas, relating to the fee for non-residents who reside in border counties of other states adjoining the State line of Texas, provided that same exemption shall be in effect as to only such non-residents of such states as may adopt a reciprocal provision exempting residents of border counties in Texas from the non-resident license fee."

Read first time and referred to Committee on State Affairs.

By Senator Pollard:

S. B. No. 268, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 21, Article 8308 of the Revised Civil Statutes of 1925 to provide for the payment by the associations of judgments in a court of law, or in a court of admiralty and maritime jurisdiction by which subscribers who have complied with all the rules,

regulations and demands of the association are required to pay to any employee any damages, actual or exemplary, on account of any personal injury sustained by such employee in the course of his employment during the period of subscription, and declaring an emergency."

Read first time and referred to Committee on Insurance.

By Senator Pollard:

S. B. No. 269, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 4619, of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, 1925, relating to community property, and the disposition thereof, so as to provide for the control, management and disposition of community property by the wife, when the husband has disappeared and his whereabouts is unknown to the wife for more than six months, and validating conveyances and other transactions of the wife concerning community property heretofore made under such circumstances, and providing the method and procedure for making proof of the existence of the facts necessary to give her such right of control, management and disposition, and declaring an emergency."

Read first time and referred to Committee on Civil Jurisprudence.

By Senator Hall:

S. B. No. 270, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Chapter 17, Title: Cities, towns and villages—Articles 1213 of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas of 1925, so that assessments for street widening and street opening may be made payable in not exceeding sixteen annual payments, and declaring an emergency."

Read first time and referred to Committee on Towns and City Corporations.

By Senator Hall:

S. B. No. 271, A bill to be entitled "An Act to authorize the establishment of building lines on streets in cities which now have, or may hereafter have, five thousand or more inhabitants, and to provide the manner in which damages may be determined and paid and benefits assessed and collected."

Read first time and referred to Committee on Towns and City Corporations.

By Senator Floyd:

S. B. No. 272, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 6698, Re-

vised Statutes of 1925, so as to permit cities and towns to regulate traffic of certain commercial motor vehicles and charge a fee sufficient to pay the expense of such regulation, and declaring an emergency."

Read first time and referred to Committee on State Highway and Motor Traffic.

By Senators Floyd and Stuart:

S. B. No. 273, A bill to be entitled "An Act to prescribe who may be licensed as agent of any insurance company or association or other insurance carrier, engaged in the business in Texas of insurance of any kind other than life; authorizing the Commissioner of Insurance to issue licenses to persons entitled thereto, etc., and declaring an emergency."

Read first time and referred to Committee on Insurance.

By Senator Floyd:

S. B. No. 274, A bill to be entitled "An Act requiring all motor vehicles, tractors, trailers, semi-trailers and motorcycles operating on the public highways of this State to have attached to the rear, or rear and front of same, license plates secured by locking type bolts, as hereinafter defined; providing for the issuance of locking type bolts; prescribing a penalty for the violation of the provisions of this Act, and declaring an emergency."

Read first time and referred to Committee on State Highway and Motor Traffic.

By Senator Love:

S. B. No. 275, A bill to be entitled "An Act relative to white and negro communities, in municipalities, to foster a separation of white and negro residence communities in the interest of peace, safety and welfare, fixing a penalty, and declaring an emergency."

Read first time and referred to Committee on Internal Improvements.

By Senator Love:

S. B. No. 276, A bill to be entitled "An Act authorizing cities which now have, or may hereafter have 5,000 or more inhabitants, in case of condemnation of land for laying out, establishing or enlarging parks, parkways or pleasure grounds to provide that the cost of such land should be paid for, wholly or in part by the property owners owning prop-

erty in the vicinity thereof and benefited thereby, etc."

Read first time and referred to Committee on Internal Improvements.

By Senator Stuart:

S. B. No. 277, A bill to be entitled "An Act to provide for the approval by municipal authorities before filing, and for filing and recordation of plans, plats or replats of land lying in or within five miles of the corporate limits of cities having a population of fifty thousand persons or over, according to the Federal Census of 1920, and of any subsequent Federal Census, etc., and declaring an emergency."

Read first time and referred to Committee on Internal Improvements.

By Senator Stuart:

S. B. No. 278, A bill to be entitled "An Act authorizing legislative bodies of incorporated cities and towns to provide for the promotion of health, safety, morals and general welfare of the community; to regulate and restrict the height, number of stories, size, kind and character of buildings, etc., and declaring an emergency."

Read first time and referred to Committee on Internal Improvements.

Bill Signed.

After its caption was read, the Chair signed in the presence of the Senate, H. C. R. No. 13.

Senate Bill No. 147.

The Chair laid before the Senate, as pending business, the following bill:

S. B. No. 147, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 2625, Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, to change the number of the board of regents from six to nine members and declaring an emergency."

The question pending was upon the motion of Senator Bailey to re-refer the bill with amendments to the Committee on Education. (See S. J., 14th day, Feb. 2, 1927.)

Senator Bailey amended his motion to re-refer by instructing the Committee to report not later than Wednesday, February 8, 1927.

The motion of Senator Bailey was adopted.

Senate Bill No. 54.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on third reading, the following bill:

S. B. No. 54, A bill to be entitled "An Act relating to appointment and fixing the salaries of county auditors; and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read third time and finally passed by the following vote:

Yeas—21.

Bailey.	Price.
Berkeley.	Real.
Fairchild.	Reid.
Flov.	Smith.
Greer.	Triplett.
Hardin.	Ward.
Holbrook.	Wirtz.
Lewis.	Witt.
Love.	Wood.
Neal.	Woodward.
Parr.	

Nays—3.

Bowers.	Miller.
McFarlane.	

Absent.

Bledsoe.	Pollard.
Hall.	Russek.
Moore.	Stuart.

Absent—Excused.

Westbrook.

Simple Resolution No. 47.

Senator Parr received unanimous consent to send up the following resolution:

Whereas, Hon. Albert Martin, Mayor of Laredo; Hon. M. W. Brennan, Vice President Chamber of Commerce of Laredo; Hon. Matias de Llano, President of Washington's Birthday Celebration Association of Laredo are within the bar of the Senate, and desire to present a message to the Senate;

Be it Resolved, That these gentlemen be invited to the President's stand and be privileged to deliver their message.

The resolution was read and adopted.

Invitation to the Legislature.

Hon. R. L. Bobbitt, Speaker of the House of Representatives, introduced the committee from Laredo.

The Committee from Laredo extended to the Senate an invitation to visit Laredo on Washington's birthday.

On motion of Senator Parr the invitation was accepted.

Senate Bill No. 70.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on third reading, the following bill:

S. B. No. 70, A bill to be entitled "An Act relating to the filing and recording of instruments of writing, heretofore and hereafter recorded, and the effect thereof, and validating defective certificates of acknowledgment."

The bill was read third time and failed to pass by the following vote:

Yeas—3.

Bowers.	Holbrook.
Hall.	

Nays—26.

Bailey.	Pollard.
Berkeley.	Price.
Bledsoe.	Real.
Fairchild.	Reid.
Floyd.	Russek.
Greer.	Smith.
Hardin.	Stuart.
Lewis.	Triplett.
Love.	Ward.
McFarlane.	Wirtz.
Miller.	Witt.
Neal.	Wood.
Parr.	Woodward.

Absent.

Moore.

Absent—Excused.

Westbrook.

Bills Signed.

After their captions were read, the Chair signed, in the presence of the Senate, the following bills:

S. B. No. 28,
S. B. No. 17,
S. B. No. 29.

Simple Resolution No. 48.

Senator Neal received unanimous consent to send up the following resolution:

Whereas, The mid-winter session of the State Press Association is now being held in this city.

Be it Resolved, That the Senate of Texas do invite this honorable and useful body to visit the Senate during its deliberations on this afternoon, extending to them the courtesies and privileges of the floor.

Be it also Resolved, That the Governor of Texas, the Honorable Dan Moody, be also invited to visit the Senate, in company with the Press of Texas, and that both the Governor of the State and the President of the State Press Association be invited to address this body.

The resolution was read and adopted.

Senate Bill No. 138.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on third reading, the following bill:

S. B. No. 138, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Article 5142 of the Revised Civil Statutes of 1925; providing for juvenile officers; providing for their selection, compensation, expenses and prescribing their duties; providing for their assistants; providing all things necessary and incident to the main purpose of this Act, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read third time and finally passed.

Senate Bill No. 78.

Senator Real called from the table the following bill:

S. B. No. 78, A bill to be entitled "An Act fixing in counties having a population of one hundred and fifty thousand inhabitants, the compensation of district attorneys and providing for the appointment of assistant district attorneys, investigators, stenographers, grand jury bailiffs, deputies and other employees, and providing for their salaries and the manner of their payment, and providing for the duties and authority of investigators, and providing for the purchase, operation and maintenance of automobiles, and repealing all laws in conflict herewith with exceptions, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read second time.

The Committee report carrying amendments was adopted.

Senator Real sent up the following amendment:

Amend S. B. No. 78, Section 1, Line 27, after the word year, by striking out the following: "except where it is made the duty of the district attorney by law to act and perform the duties of district attorney in two or more judicial district courts or criminal district courts, there the district attorney shall receive a salary not to exceed twelve thousand dollars in any one year."

The amendment was read and adopted.

Senator Real sent up the following amendment:

Amend caption to S. B. No. 78, Page 1, Line 6, by striking out the following: "and providing for the purchase, operation and maintenance of automobiles."

The amendment was read and adopted.

The bill was laid on the table subject to call.

Senate Bill No. 149.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on the calendar, the following bill:

S. B. No. 149, A bill to be entitled "An Act making an emergency appropriation of four thousand eight hundred dollars for finishing the remodeling and strengthening of what is commonly known as the old Austin College Building, the same being one of the buildings of the Sam Houston State Teachers' College plant at Huntsville, Texas, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read second time.

The Committee report was adopted.

The bill was passed to engrossment.

On motion of Senator Lewis, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended and S. B. No. 149 was put on its third reading and final passage by the following vote:

Yeas—30.

Bailey.	Neal.
Berkeley.	Parr.
Bledsoe.	Pollard.
Bowers.	Price.
Fairchild.	Real.
Floyd.	Reid.
Greer.	Russek.
Hall.	Smith.
Hardin.	Stuart.
Holbrook.	Triplett.
Lewis.	Ward.
Love.	Wirtz.
McFarlane.	Witt.
Miller.	Wood.
Moore.	Woodward.

Absent—Excused.

Westbrook.

The bill was read third time and passed finally, by the following vote:

Yeas—30.

Bailey.	Bledsoe.
Berkeley.	Bowers.

Fairchild.	Pollard.
Floyd.	Price.
Greer.	Real.
Hall.	Reid.
Hardin.	Russek.
Holbrook.	Smith.
Lewis.	Stuart.
Love.	Triplett.
McFarlane.	Ward.
Miller.	Wirtz.
Moore.	Witt.
Neal.	Wood.
Parr.	Woodward.

Absent—Excused.

Westbrook.

Senate Bill No. 156.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on the calendar, the following bill:

S. B. No. 156, A bill to be entitled "An Act authorizing the recording of marketing agreements of cooperative agricultural marketing association."

The bill was read second time.

The Committee report carrying amendments was read and adopted.

Senator Love offered the following substitute amendment for the bill as amended:

Amend S. B. No. 156, by striking out all after the enacting clause, and insert (and being the same in substance and largely in language as Sections 3, 4, 11, 14 and 16 of the original bill) the following:

Sec. 1 Any co-operative marketing association may file for record an original or an authenticated copy of an executed marketing agreement between such association and any or all members of such association, with the county clerk of the county, where the crop is produced or is to be produced. The clerk shall record such agreement in a book kept for that purpose, designated "Co-operative Marketing Agreements," and the clerk shall endorse in said book and on the agreement the time when it is received, and the marketing agreement shall be considered as recorded when received by the clerk. After the filing of any agreement between any particular co-operative marketing association and one of its members, such association may, in lieu of filing all other agreements, obtained from its members covering crops produced or to be produced in any particular county, cause to be prepared and signed by its secretary or other officer an affidavit reciting that the association has executed

other marketing agreements similar to the co-operative marketing agreement previously filed and recorded, giving the names and addresses of the members party thereto, the date on which the contracts were executed by the members, and the date of expiration, if different from those of the recorded agreement; and such affidavit or affidavits, when filed by the association with the county clerk, shall be recorded in the records of the county where filed, in the records designated "Co-operative Marketing Agreements." Such association may from time to time file for record supplemental affidavits covering additional marketing agreements; and the filing and recording of such agreements or affidavits shall convey full notice of the existence of the various agreements and of the rights, claims and interest of such association as specifically set out in such agreements or affidavits in the crops thereby covered. The clerk shall also provide and maintain an index alphabetically arranged, showing the names of the members of such association stated in contracts and affidavits filed.

Sec. 2 Every association shall, before any marketing agreement or affidavit is filed and recorded as prescribed in this Act, pay to the county clerk, for filing and recording any marketing agreement or affidavit, the same fees for recording deeds.

Sec. 3 If any clause or Section of this Act shall be declared unconstitutional for any reason, the remainder of the Act shall not be affected thereby.

Sec. 4 The fact that there is now no adequate law regulating the filing and recording of Co-operating Marketing Agreement between marketing associations and their members for the sale and delivery of agricultural products by such members to their associations, and the further fact that the passage of such an Act is imperatively demanded at this time by those who are interested in agricultural products, sold through co-operative marketing associations, creates an imperative public necessity that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read upon three several days be and is hereby suspended and that this Act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and it is so enacted.

The amendment was read and adopted.

Senator Love sent up the following substitute amendment:

Amend caption to S. B. No. 156, by striking out all above the enacting clause, and insert in lieu thereof the following:

A BILL

To Be Entitled

An Act authorizing the recording of marketing agreements of co-operative marketing associations; providing for the manner of filing and recording marketing agreements executed by co-operative marketing associations and their respective members, and affidavits in connection therewith, with the county clerk of the various counties in the State of Texas; and providing for the effect of such filing and recording of such marketing agreements and affidavits; and providing that if any clause or section of this Act is declared unconstitutional the remainder of the Act shall remain in full force and effect, and declaring an emergency."

The amendment was read and adopted.

Senator Bowers sent up the following amendment:

Amend S. B. No. 156, by inserting at the end of Section 3 the following words: "Nothing in this Act shall be construed as intending to impair or impairing any chattel mortgage, landlord's lien, or the lien of any person furnishing or advancing anything to a tenant for the purpose of making a crop."

The amendment was read.

Recess.

Senator Bowers moved that the Senate recess until two o'clock. The motion was adopted and the Senate recessed at 12 o'clock.

After Recess.

The Chair called the Senate to order at 2 o'clock.

The Chair announced that Senator Bowers had the floor. Senator Bowers discussed his amendment to S. B. No. 156.

Senator Holbrook moved the previous question. The motion carried.

Senator Bowers' amendment was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—19.

Bailey.	Parr.
Bledsoe.	Pollard.
Bowers.	Price.
Fairchild.	Reid.
Hardin.	Smith.
Holbrook.	Stuart.
Lewis.	Triplett.
Miller.	Wirtz.
Moore.	Wood.
Neal.	

Nays—9.

Berkeley.	McFarlane.
Greer	Real.
Hall.	Ward.
Love.	Witt.

Present—Not Voting.

Woodward.

Absent.

Floyd. Russek.

Absent—Excused.

Westbrook.

Senator Bowers sent up the following amendment to the caption:

Amend S. B. No. 156, by inserting in the caption just before the words "and declaring and emergency" the following: "and providing that nothing in this Act shall be construed as intending to impair or impairing any chattel mortgage, landlord's lien, or the lien of any person furnishing or advancing anything to a tenant for the purpose of making a crop."

The amendment was read and adopted.

On motion of Senator Love, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended and S. B. No. 156 was put on its third reading and final passage, by the following vote:

Yeas—30.

Bailey.	Miller.
Berkeley.	Moore.
Bledsoe.	Neal.
Bowers.	Parr.
Fairchild.	Pollard.
Greer	Price.
Hall.	Real.
Hardin.	Reid.
Holbrook.	Russek.
Lewis.	Smith.
Love.	Stuart.
McFarlane.	Triplett.

Ward.
Wirtz.
Witt.

Wood.
Woodward.

Absent.

Floyd.

Absent—Excused.

Westbrook.

The bill was read third time and passed finally.

Governor's Address.

At 2:40 o'clock, the Chair appointed Senators Bailey, Neal, and Parr to escort Governor Dan Moody, to the platform, and Mr. Baldrige, President of the Texas Press Association, to the platform.

Senator Neal presented Governor Moody, who briefly addressed the Senate.

Mr. Baldrige Speaks.

At the conclusion of his address, Governor Moody introduced Mr. Baldrige, who addressed the Senate briefly as a representative of the Texas Press Association.

On motion of Senator Pollard, the Senate, at 2:55, stood at ease for ten minutes in order to give the members of the Senate an opportunity to meet the members of the Texas Press Association who were present on invitation of the Senate.

Message From the House.

The Chair recognized the Doorkeeper, who introduced a messenger from the House with the following message:

Hall of the House of Representatives.

Austin, Texas, Feb. 4, 1927.

Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: I am directed by the House to inform the Senate that the House has passed the following bills:

H. B. No. 169, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Title 8, Article 199, Section 1, subdivision 23, page 96 of the Regular Session of the Thirty-ninth Legislature of the State of Texas, changing the time of holding of the terms of district court in the Twenty-third Judicial District of Texas, and declaring an emergency."

Respectfully submitted,

LOUISE SNOW,

Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

House Bills Read and Referred.

After its caption had been read, H. B. No. 169 was referred to the Committee on Judicial Districts.

Bills Introduced.

By Senator Bailey:

S. B. No. 279, A bill to be entitled "An Act to create Road District No. Three, in San Patricio County, etc."

Read first time and referred to Committee on Civil Jurisprudence.

House Bill No. 169.

Senator Holbrook received unanimous consent to take up H. B. No. 169, relating to the term of court in the Twenty-third Judicial District.

On motion of Senator Holbrook, the rule requiring committee reports to lie over one day was suspended and H. B. No. 169 was put on its second reading by the following vote:

Yeas—30.

Bailey.	Parr.
Berkeley.	Pollard.
Bledsoe.	Price.
Bowers.	Real.
Fairchild.	Reid.
Greer	Russek.
Hall.	Smith.
Hardin.	Stuart.
Holbrook.	Triplett.
Lewis.	Ward.
Love.	Wirtz.
McFarlane.	Witt.
Miller.	Wood.
Moore.	Woodward.
Neal.	

Absent.

Floyd.

Absent—Excused.

Westbrook.

The Committee report was adopted. The bill was read second time and passed to engrossment.

On motion of Senator Holbrook, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended and H. B. No. 169 was put on its third reading and final passage, by the following vote:

Yeas—30.

Bailey.	Fairchild.
Berkeley.	Greer
Bledsoe.	Hall.
Bowers.	Hardin.

Holbrook.
Lewis.
Love.
McFarlane.
Miller.
Moore.
Neal.
Parr.
Pollard.
Price.
Real.

Reid.
Russek.
Smith.
Stuart.
Triplett.
Ward.
Wirtz.
Witt.
Wood.
Woodward.

Absent.

Floyd.

Absent—Excused.

Westbrook.

The bill was read third time and passed finally, by the following vote:

Yeas—30.

Bailey.	Parr.
Berkeley.	Pollard.
Bledsoe.	Price.
Bowers.	Real.
Fairchild.	Reid.
Greer	Russek.
Hall.	Smith.
Hardin.	Stuart.
Holbrook.	Triplett.
Lewis.	Ward.
Love.	Wirtz.
McFarlane.	Witt.
Miller.	Wood.
Moore.	Woodward.
Neal.	

Absent.

Floyd.

Absent—Excused.

Westbrook.

Special Orders.

On motion of Senator Neal, S. B. No. 141 was made special order for Monday morning immediately after the morning call.

On motion of Senator Ward, S. B. No. 131 was made special order for Monday morning immediately after Senate Bill No. 141.

On motion of Senator Stuart, S. B. No. 228, S. B. No. 229 and S. B. No. 259 were made special order for Monday at 2 o'clock.

House Bill No. 112.

Senator Wood received the unanimous consent to take up H. B. No. 112, relating to the term of court in the Thirty-third Judicial District.

On motion of Senator Wood, the rule requiring committee reports to

lie over one day was suspended and H. B. No. 112 was put on its second reading.

The Committee report was adopted.

The bill was read second time and passed to engrossment.

On motion of Senator Wood, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended and H. B. No. 112 was put on its third reading and final passage, by the following vote:

Yeas—30.

Bailey.	Parr.
Berkeley.	Pollard.
Bledsoe.	Price.
Bowers.	Real.
Fairchild.	Reid.
Greer	Russek.
Hall.	Smith.
Hardin.	Stuart.
Holbrook.	Triplett.
Lewis.	Ward.
Love.	Wirtz.
McFarlane.	Witt.
Miller.	Wood.
Moore.	Woodward.
Neal.	

Absent.

Floyd.

Absent—Excused.

Westbrook.

The bill was read third time and passed finally, by the following vote:

Yeas—30.

Bailey.	Parr.
Berkeley.	Pollard.
Bledsoe.	Price.
Bowers.	Real.
Fairchild.	Reid.
Greer	Russek.
Hall.	Smith.
Hardin.	Stuart.
Holbrook.	Triplett.
Lewis.	Ward.
Love.	Wirtz.
McFarlane.	Witt.
Miller.	Wood.
Moore.	Woodward.
Neal.	

Absent.

Floyd.

Absent—Excused.

Westbrook.

Senate Bill No. 78.

Senator Real received unanimous consent to call up the following bill:

S. B. No. 78, A bill to be entitled "An Act fixing in counties having a

population of one hundred and fifty thousand inhabitants, the compensation of district attorneys and providing for the appointment of assistant district attorney, investigators, stenographers, grand jury bailiffs, deputies and other employees, and providing for their salaries and the manner of their payment, and providing for the duties and authority of investigators, and providing for the purchase, operation and maintenance of automobiles, and repealing all laws in conflict herewith with exceptions, and declaring an emergency."

The committee report carrying amendments was adopted.

The bill was read second time and passed to engrossment.

On motion of Senator Real, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended and S. B. No. 78 was put on its third reading and final passage by the following vote:

Yeas—30.

Bailey.	Parr.
Berkeley.	Pollard.
Bledsoe.	Price.
Bowers.	Real.
Fairchild.	Reid.
Greer	Russek.
Hall.	Smith.
Hardin.	Stuart.
Holbrook.	Triplett.
Lewis.	Ward.
Love.	Wirtz.
McFarlane.	Witt.
Miller.	Wood.
Moore.	Woodward.
Neal.	

Absent.

Floyd.

Absent—Excused.

Westbrook.

The bill was read third time and passed finally, by the following vote:

Yeas—24.

Bailey.	Neal.
Berkeley.	Parr.
Bledsoe.	Pollard.
Bowers.	Price.
Fairchild.	Real.
Greer	Smith.
Hall.	Stuart.
Holbrook.	Triplett.
Lewis.	Ward.
Love.	Wood.
McFarlane.	Woodward.
Moore.	

Absent.

Floyd.	Russek.
Hardin.	Wirtz.
Miller.	Witt.
Reid.	

Absent—Excused.

Westbrook.

Senate Bill No. 223.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading, the following bill:

S. B. No. 223, A bill to be entitled "An Act changing the time for holding court in the Twenty-eighth Judicial District amending Section 28, of Article 199 of Title 8 of the Revised Statutes of Texas, changing the time of holding the terms of the District Court of the Twenty-eighth Judicial District of Texas, repealing all laws and parts of laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency."

The committee report was adopted.

The bill was read second time and passed to engrossment.

On motion of Senator Parr, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended and S. B. No. 223 was put on its third reading and final passage, by the following vote:

Yeas—30.

Bailey.	Parr.
Berkeley.	Pollard.
Bledsoe.	Price.
Bowers.	Real.
Fairchild.	Reid.
Greer	Russek.
Hall.	Smith.
Hardin.	Stuart.
Holbrook.	Triplett.
Lewis.	Ward.
Love.	Wirtz.
McFarlane.	Witt.
Miller.	Wood.
Moore.	Woodward.
Neal.	

Absent.

Floyd.

Absent—Excused.

Westbrook.

The bill was read third time and passed finally, by the following vote:

Yeas—30.

Bailey.	Bowers.
Berkeley.	Fairchild.
Bledsoe.	Greer

Hall.	Real.
Hardin.	Reid.
Holbrook.	Russek.
Lewis.	Smith.
Love.	Stuart.
McFarlane.	Triplett.
Miller.	Ward.
Moore.	Wirtz.
Neal.	Witt.
Parr.	Wood.
Pollard.	Woodward.
Price.	

Absent.

Floyd.

Absent—Excused.

Westbrook.

Senate Bill No. 224.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading the following bill:

S. B. No. 224, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating the La Mota Negra Independent School District in Brooks County, Texas. Defining its boundaries, providing for the election and qualification of trustees thereof, and vesting said district with the rights, powers, duties and privileges of districts incorporated under the General Law for Free School Purposes, and declaring an emergency."

The committee report was adopted.

The bill was read second time and passed to engrossment.

On motion of Senator Parr, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended and S. B. No. 224 was put on its third reading and final passage, by the following vote:

Yeas—21.

Berkeley.	Moore.
Bledsoe.	Parr.
Bowers.	Pollard.
Fairchild.	Price.
Greer	Real.
Hall.	Reid.
Hardin.	Stuart.
Lewis.	Ward.
Love.	Wood.
McFarlane.	Woodward.

Nays—6.

Bailey.	Smith.
Holbrook.	Triplett.
Neal.	Wirtz.

Absent.

Floyd.	Russek.
Miller.	Witt.

Absent—Excused.

Westbrook.

The bill was read third time and passed finally, by the following vote:

Yeas—21.

Berkeley.	Moore.
Bledsoe.	Parr.
Bowers.	Pollard.
Fairchild.	Price.
Greer	Real.
Hall.	Reid.
Hardin.	Stuart.
Lewis.	Ward.
Love.	Wood.
McFarlane.	Woodward.

Nays—6.

Bailey.	Smith.
Holbrook.	Triplett.
Neal.	Witt.

Absent.

Floyd.	Russek.
Miller.	Wirtz.

Absent—Excused.

Westbrook.

Senate Bill No. 171.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading, the following bill:

S. B. No. 171, A bill to be entitled "An Act relating to cities and towns, and towns and villages, which have assumed control of their schools; declaring them to be independent school districts; providing for an independent school district where towns and villages or cities and towns have abolished their corporate existence, and providing how they shall be governed and controlled; validating all towns and villages or cities and towns that have heretofore assumed control of their public free schools under the Revised Statutes of this State, and have abolished their corporate existence and re-incorporated for municipal purposes and have again assumed control of their public free schools, and validating all acts and things in pursuance thereof by the board of trustees of the district or the municipal authorities in accepting said acts and assuming control of said district within the limits of said school district, and declaring an emergency."

The committee report was adopted.

The bill was read second time and passed to engrossment.

On motion of Senator Wood, the

constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended and S. B. No. 171 was put on its third reading and final passage, by the following vote:

Yeas—30.

Bailey.	Parr.
Berkeley.	Pollard.
Bledsoe.	Price.
Bowers.	Real.
Fairchild.	Reid.
Greer	Russek.
Hall.	Smith.
Hardin.	Stuart.
Holbrook.	Triplett.
Lewis.	Ward.
Love.	Wirtz.
McFarlane.	Witt.
Miller.	Wood.
Moore.	Woodward.
Neal.	

Absent.

Floyd.

Absent—Excused.

Westbrook.

The bill was read third time and passed finally, by the following vote:

Yeas—30.

Bailey.	Parr.
Berkeley.	Pollard.
Bledsoe.	Price.
Bowers.	Real.
Fairchild.	Reid.
Greer	Russek.
Hall.	Smith.
Hardin.	Stuart.
Holbrook.	Triplett.
Lewis.	Ward.
Love.	Wirtz.
McFarlane.	Witt.
Miller.	Wood.
Moore.	Woodward.
Neal.	

Absent.

Floyd.

Absent—Excused.

Westbrook.

Senate Bill No. 188.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading, the following bill:

S. B. No. 188, A bill to be entitled "An Act authorizing the employment and compensation of a steno-

grapher, clerk or assistant to the county judge in any county having a city of 40,000 inhabitants or more, according to the last United States census; prescribing the duties of such clerk or assistant, and declaring an emergency."

The committee report was adopted.

On motion of Senator Wirtz, S. B. No. 188 was laid on the table subject to call.

Bills Introduced.

Unanimous consent was received to send up the following bills:

By Senator Pollard.

S. B. No. 280, A bill to be entitled "An Act enacting a new Subdivision or Section of Article 1302 of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas of 1925 relating to private corporations, authorizing the formation of private corporations to conduct and carry on a general insurance business as an agent; provided that any corporation, incorporated under the provisions of said subdivision or section shall engage exclusively in the general insurance business as an agent; and declaring an emergency."

Read first time and referred to Committee on State Affairs.

By Senator Wirtz.

S. B. No. 281, A bill to be entitled "An Act regulating the election of trustees in independent school districts heretofore created by Special Act of the Legislature, etc., and declaring an emergency."

Read first time and referred to Committee on Privileges and Elections.

By Senator Berkeley.

S. B. No. 282, A bill to be entitled "An Act regulating the slaughter and sale of animals in this State; amending Article 6908 of the Revised Civil Statutes of 1925 and enacting a new article of said Statutes to be numbered 6908-a; making the provisions of Article 6908 applicable to sheep and goats as well as cattle; providing penalties and remedies for violations and failure to comply with Articles 6904 and 6908 dealt with in this Act; making such changes in the Statutes in reference to the slaughter and sale of animals mentioned in said articles so as to comport with the main purpose of this Act; and declaring an emergency."

Read first time and referred to Committee on State Affairs.

By Senator Smith.

S. B. No. 283, A bill to be entitled "An Act exempting Stephens County from any and all laws of this State inhibiting the use of seines for the taking or catching of fish known as carp or buffalo; and declaring an emergency."

Read first time and referred to Committee on State Affairs.

By Senator Wood.

S. B. No. 284, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Articles 3118 and 3139 of the Revised Civil Statutes of 1925 relating to nominations of political parties; providing for county executive committees and county precinct chairmen and vice chairmen of political parties affected by said articles of the Statutes; providing for the filling of vacancies of same; providing for district executive committees and their chairmen; providing for State conventions and their functions; providing for a State executive committee and a chairman and vice chairman thereof and the filling of vacancies in said committee, or the chairman or vice chairman thereof; providing for a fair representation of women on executive committees and officers of said committees; and declaring an emergency."

Read first time and referred to Committee on Privileges and Elections.

By Senator Wood.

S. B. No. 285, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 1025 of the Code of Criminal Procedure of 1925, fixing the fees of county and district attorneys, and declaring an emergency."

Read first time and referred to Committee on State Affairs.

By Senator Wood.

S. B. No. 286, A bill to be entitled "An Act regulating the sale of insecticides and fungicides, prohibiting their adulteration or misbranding, providing for their correct weighing and marking, forbidding the use of certain materials in connection therewith, providing for the collection and analysis of samples, statements of sales and shipment, the expenses of the enforcement of the law, fixing penalties for its vio-

lation; providing other matters and things incidental to the purpose of the Act; and declaring emergency."

Read first time and referred to Committee on Public Health.

By Senators Bailey and Fairchild.

S. B. No. 287, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing for the collection, compilation and publishing of information, statistics, and data relating to agriculture, horticulture, livestock, poultry, manufacturing and other industries and enterprises, etc., and declaring an emergency,"

Read first time and referred to Committee on Agricultural Affairs.

Senate Bill No. 160.

Senator Wirtz received permission to take up the following bill:

S. B. No. 160, A bill to be entitled "An Act authorizing the county judge to appoint a stenographer and prescribing the duties of such stenographer; providing for his compensation, and declaring an emergency."

Senator Bailey sent up the following amendment:

Amendment No. 1 to S. B. No. 160

Amend the bill by striking out in the line 11 of page 1 of the printed bill the word "shall" and insert in lieu thereof the words "may with the consent of the commissioners' court of such county duly entered of record and in the minutes of such court."

The amendment was read and adopted.

Senator Love sent up the following amendment:

Amendment No. 2 to S. B. No. 160.

Amend Section one of Senate Bill 160 by adding "provided, this Act shall not apply to counties having 200,000 or more population according to the last Federal census.

The amendment was read and adopted.

Senator Love sent up the following amendment:

Amendment No. 3 to S. B. No. 160.

Amend by adding in the caption after the words "county judge" the words "in counties having less than two hundred thousand population."

The amendment was read and adopted.

The bill was read second time and passed to engrossment as amended.

On motion of Senator Wirtz, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended and S. B. No. 160 put on its third reading and final passage, by the following vote:

Yeas—30.

Bailey.	Neal.
Berkeley.	Parr.
Bledsoe.	Pollard.
Bowers.	Price.
Fairchild.	Real.
Floyd.	Reid.
Greer.	Russek.
Hall.	Smith.
Hardin.	Stuart.
Holbrook.	Triplett.
Lewis.	Ward.
Love.	Wirtz.
McFarlane.	Witt.
Miller.	Wood.
Moore.	Woodward.

Absent—Excused.

Westbrook.

The bill was read third time and passed finally, by the following vote:

Yeas—30.

Bailey.	Neal.
Berkeley.	Parr.
Bledsoe.	Pollard.
Bowers.	Price.
Fairchild.	Real.
Floyd.	Reid.
Greer.	Russek.
Hall.	Smith.
Hardin.	Stuart.
Holbrook.	Triplett.
Lewis.	Ward.
Love.	Wirtz.
McFarlane.	Witt.
Miller.	Wood.
Moore.	Woodward.

Absent—Excused.

Westbrook.

At Ease.

On motion of Senator Bailey, the Senate at 4:40 p. m. stood at ease subject to the call of the Chair.

Bills Signed.

The Chair called the Senate to order. The Chair signed in the presence of the Senate, after their

captions had been read, the following bills:

H. B. No. 169.
H. B. No. 112.

Adjournment.

On motion of Senator Wood, the Senate at 5:15 p. m. adjourned until Monday morning at 10 o'clock.

APPENDIX

Petitions and Memorials.

Royall R. Watkins.
Judge 95th District Court.
Dallas, Texas.

Mr. President:

On behalf of the International Bonehead Club of Dallas, Texas, I desire to extend to you and other members of the Senate an invitation to attend a party to be given by the club at Dallas on Saturday night, February 12th, 1927, at which time we will celebrate New Year's Day, Robert E. Lee's Birthday, Ground Hog Day, Lincoln's Birthday, Valentine's Day, George Washington's Birthday, Texas Independence Day, San Jacinto Day and the Fourth of July.

We hold these semi-annual meetings at this time for the reason that we want to be light on the almanac, and combine all celebrations into one meeting.

At this meeting there will be under discussion many questions pertaining to the welfare of the State and Nation, and it is hoped that each member of the Senate may be able to learn something from these discussions.

The Bonehead Club, as you perhaps know, is composed of only 57 members; one president and fifty-six vice-presidents. The membership is represented by lawyers, doctors, merchants and school teachers, but it has never had a member of the Senate of the State of Texas on its roster.

It is earnestly hoped that each member of the Legislature may be able to be present, and I may add that it will be necessary for each to pay his own expenses in connection with this party.

We promise you a good time and know that you will enjoy it.

ROYALL R. WATKINS,

One of the 56 vice-presidents.

The communication was read and the invitation accepted.

Committee on Engrossed Bills.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, Feb. 3, 1927.

Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Enrolled Bills, have had S. B. No. 115 carefully examined and compared, and find the same correctly enrolled, and have this day at 12 o'clock a. m., presented the same to the Governor for his approval.

FLOYD, Chairman.

Committee Reports.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, Feb. 3, 1927.

Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred S. B. No. 262, A bill to be entitled "An Act to provide an adequate method of regulating the practice of civil engineering in the State of Texas, in order to safeguard life, health, property and the public welfare; creating a board for the examination and certification of civil engineers and prescribing its powers, duties and compensations; providing for a special fund to be derived from fees; providing for certificates of registration; defining the qualifications of certified civil engineers; providing for revocation of such certificates; providing a penalty for the practice or attempted practice of civil engineering without a certificate of registration; providing for annual renewal fee; providing for the certifying of drawings and reports made by a certified civil engineer; providing for temporary licenses and exemption under certain conditions; repealing all laws in conflict herewith, and providing matters and things incidental to said purposes; and declaring an emergency."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

WIRTZ, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Feb. 3, 1927.
Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred S. B. No. 209, A bill to be entitled "An Act to provide for the payment of fees and compensation to the district and county attorneys and other officers, for services rendered in the trial and disposition of cases arising under the juvenile laws relating to "dependent" and "neglected" children as provided in Title 43 of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas of 1925, and "delinquent" children as provided in Title 16 of the Code of Criminal Procedure of the State of Texas of 1925, and declaring an emergency."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

WIRTZ, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Feb. 3, 1927.
Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred S. B. No. 247, A bill to be entitled "An Act for the relief of railway corporations having charters granted or amended since the first day of January 1892 and which have failed or are about to fail to construct their roads and branches, or any part thereof, within the time required by law and declaring an emergency."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

WIRTZ, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Feb. 3, 1927.
Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred S. B. No. 133, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Article 1897 of the Revised Civil Statutes of 1925, relating to the bond of district clerks; more adequately providing for bonds of district clerks; providing that the county shall pay the premium of said bonds out of the general county fund; and declaring an emergency."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass with the following committee amendment:

Amendment to S. B. No. 133.

Strike out the last sentence in Section 1, reading as follows: "Said bond shall be executed by a surety company authorized to do business in this State and the premium on said bond shall be paid by the county out of the general fund of the county."

WIRTZ, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Feb. 3, 1927.
Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred S. B. No. 182, A bill to be entitled "An Act to provide an old age relief system for resident citizens over the age of seventy years; providing for the administration of the system through the county commissioners' courts of the various counties in the State and permitting the payment of the old age relief and the expense of the administration from the general revenue of the county of which the applicant is a resident; prescribing the qualifications of an applicant for relief under the Act and permitting the discontinuance of the relief on conviction of an offense or upon evidence of changed status of the beneficiary; and fixing the punishment of any applicant or other person violating any of the provisions of the Act, defining certain terms used in the Act and identifying the measure as the Old Age Relief Act of the State of Texas, and declaring an emergency."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass with the following committee amendments:

Amendment No. 1 to S. B. No. 182.

Amend Senate Bill No. 182, by striking out the words and figures "three hundred dollars (\$300.00)" on line 29 page 2 of the bill, and inserting in lieu thereof the words and figures "one hundred dollars" "\$100.00."

Amendment No. 2 to S. B. No. 182.

Amend Senate Bill No. 182, by striking out the words and figures "five thousand dollars" "\$5,000.00" on page 2, line 32 of the bill, and inserting in lieu thereof the words and figures "two thousand dollars" "\$2,000.00".

Amendment No. 3 to S. B. No. 182

Amend Senate Bill No. 182, by adding a new sentence after the word "Act" on page 7, line 10, to read as follows: "Every assistance granted or withheld under the provisions of this Act shall be optional with the commissioners' court after due hearing upon application."

WIRTZ, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, Feb. 3, 1927.

Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred

S. B. No. 241, A bill to be entitled "An Act to compel all subdivisions of the State when collecting ad valorem taxes, to assess all property at the same value placed on it by the county authorities to collect State and county taxes."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do not pass.

WIRTZ, Chairman.

(Majority Report.)

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, Feb. 3, 1927.

Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir, We, a majority of your Committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred

S. B. No. 240, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing for the manner of rendition of real estate for taxes giving a description of the value of the land and improvements separately; requiring the State Comptroller to furnish such blank forms as will show the separate rendition of lands and lots from the improvements therein and thereon, and declaring an emergency."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do not pass.

WIRTZ, Chairman.

(Minority Report.)

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, Feb. 3, 1927.

Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, a minority of your Committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred

S. B. No. 240, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing for the manner of rendition of real estate for taxes, giving a discription of the value of the land and improvements separately; requiring the State Comptroller to furnish such blank forms as will show the separate rendition of lands and lots from the improvements therein and thereon, and declaring an emergency."

Beg leave to differ with the majority of said committee and report said bill back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

WITT

HOLBROOK.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, Feb. 3, 1927.

Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Mining, Irrigation and Drainage, to whom was referred

S. B. No. 248, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing that all conservation and reclamation districts organized under the provisions of Chapter 8, Title 128, Revised Civil Statutes of Texas and, or, Chapter 2, of Title 128, Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, under the name of Water Improvement Districts and in the organization of which petitions were signed by more than fifty persons owning land within the boundaries of such district and said petitions were filed in the month of September, 1926, and on which petitions hearings were held by the county commissioners' court in the month of October, 1926, and in which such court entered its order or judgment finding in favor of the petitioners for the establishment of such district, and elections were held for the purpose of voting upon the organization of such districts and the issuance of notes by such districts such elections being held in November, 1926, and at which elections the organization of the districts and the issuance of notes received more than a two-thirds majority of the votes cast and at which elections directors were elected for such districts,

the organization of such districts and the authorization for the issuance of notes by such districts are hereby ratified, validated, approved and confirmed. All such districts are hereby expressly declared to be validly created and organized. The directors of such districts shall have the power, and are hereby expressly authorized to make and enter any and all orders and provisions necessary for the purpose of issuing and selling the notes voted and authorized by said elections and are expressly authorized to levy general ad valorem taxes on all property situated in such districts, at the time such notes are issued, in amount sufficient to pay the interest on such notes and the principal thereof as same mature, and the cost of assessing and collecting such taxes, and such notes when issued and delivered shall be the general, direct and binding obligations of such districts so issuing same. It shall not be necessary to validate such notes by a suit in court or any other proceeding. And further providing all such districts shall be conservation and reclamation districts under the provisions of Chapters 2 and 8 of Title 128 Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, and under section 59 of Article 16 of the Constitution and may incur indebtedness to carry out the purposes of its organization such indebtedness being authorized by a majority of the votes cast at an election held for that purpose and may levy taxes for the payment of its obligations and maintenance and operation, and shall be governed by the provisions of the law applying to water improvement districts except as otherwise herein provided. And further providing that all such districts, described in this Act may appoint a tax assessor and collector in the manner provided by law, but provided that the directors of such districts may adopt the rendition and equalization of property for taxation as made by the county tax assessor and as equalized by the county commissioners court sitting as a board of equalization as fixing and determining the taxable values of all property situated within such districts and as so assessed, equalized and fixed, and further providing the method of so adopting same and of certifying all tax levies to the office of the county tax assessor and the

county tax collector and the method of entering such taxes on the tax rolls and making tax rolls and of collecting such taxes by the county tax collector, and that said county tax assessor and county tax collector shall be paid a reasonable compensation not to exceed the rates provided by law for similar duties but that same shall be in addition to all other fees and compensation now provided by law for such officers, and providing that said tax collector shall keep a complete record of all taxes collected and uncollected and of all receipts for taxes issued by him, that he shall pay to the district depository all sums collected by him for the district and providing for reports of such officers, the accounting for such funds, keeping of finance ledger and providing for the assessment, equalization, and collection of taxes and accounting for same, and that when so assessed and collected the provisions of the law for the collection of State and county taxes shall apply thereto, except as herein otherwise provided, and that in such event the provisions of the law providing for the assessment and collection of taxes by district through its own offices shall not apply thereto, providing generally for the validation of districts described herein, the issuance of notes, the levy, assessment and collection of taxes and the conduct and government of such districts, and declaring an emergency."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, and be not printed in bill form or in the Journal.

BLEDSOE, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, Feb. 3, 1927.

Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Mining, Irrigation and Drainage, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 3, A bill to be entitled "An Act to agree to the provisions of Section VII of an Act of Congress of the United States and approved June 18, 1926, entitled 'An Act to provide for the storage of the waters of the Pecos River;' and declaring an emergency."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to

report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

BLEDSON, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, Feb. 4, 1927.

Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Public Health, to whom was referred S. B. No. 130, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 1079, 1080 and 1081 of the Revised Civil Statutes of 1925 of the State of Texas, by providing for a uniform examination to be prescribed by the State Board of Health for the examination of applicants for plumbing license; providing for a State Inspector of Plumbing and assistants, prescribing their salaries, qualifications and term of office; fixing the duties and powers of such inspector; authorizing him to grant and revoke licenses to engage in the business of plumbing, requiring all persons engaging in the business of plumbing to secure a license from the State Inspector of Plumbing and prescribing the conditions upon which the same may be issued and renewed, and prescribing the license fees to be paid therefor; requiring the State Board of Health and the Attorney General to take such steps as may be necessary to enforce the law with reference to plumbing; requiring incorporated cities or towns to grant license to persons holding State plumbing licenses."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do not pass.

BERKELEY, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, Feb. 4, 1927.

Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Educational Affairs, to whom was referred

S. B. No. 264, A bill to be entitled "An Act authorizing under certain restrictions the establishment and maintenance of a public junior college in (a) independent school districts, (b) in cities and towns which have acquired control of the public free schools within their limits, (c) in counties; providing for an election to be held in any county to determine whether or not a public junior college should be established

and maintained by said county, etc., providing for passage of an emergency act.

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

WITT, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, Feb. 4, 1927.

Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Educational Affairs, to whom was referred

S. B. No. 258, A bill to be entitled "An Act relating to free textbooks for the public free schools of this State; amending Sections 30, 31, 33, 34 and 39, and repealing Sections 40 and 41, of Chapter 176, of the General Laws of the Regular Session of the Thirty-ninth Legislature of this State; providing for the setting aside of funds for free textbooks used in the public free schools of this State; requiring reports as to the funds for said textbooks; providing for the distribution of the amount set aside for free textbooks direct to the schools using such books and the purchase of same by such schools themselves from the various textbook depositories or agencies, and providing that any free textbook moneys not so used by any such school shall become a part of its available school moneys and may be used by it for general school purposes; making the necessary changes in the statutes to accomplish the main purpose of this Act, and declaring an emergency."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

WITT, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, Feb. 4, 1927.

Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Educational Affairs, to whom was referred

S. B. No. 30, A bill to be entitled "An Act authorizing the creation of a junior college in any independent district or city that has assumed control of its schools in the State of Texas, having taxable values of property for school purposes of not less than \$12,000,000.00, and au-

thorizing the creation of junior college in any county of the State having taxable values for school purposes of not less than \$12,000.-000.00; providing for the establishment, support, and operation of a junior college established as herein provided, etc., repealing all laws and parts of laws that conflict therewith and declaring an emergency."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

WITT, Chairman.

Committee Room.

Austin, Texas, Feb. 4, 1927.

Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Educational Affairs, to whom was referred

S. B. No. 204, A bill to be entitled "An Act repealing Article 2691 of the Revised Civil Statutes of 1925 relative to teachers' institutes, and repealing all other laws of this State providing for teachers' institutes; and declaring an emergency."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

WITT, Chairman.

Committee Room.

Austin, Texas, Feb. 4, 1927.

Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Educational Affairs, to whom was referred

S. B. No. 140, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 2757, Revised Statutes of 1925, relating to formation of independent school districts, and declaring an emergency."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

WITT, Chairman.

Committee Room.

Austin, Texas, Feb. 4, 1927.

Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Educational Affairs, to whom was referred

S. B. No. 41, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 2624, Title 49, Chapter 5 of the Revised Civil Statutes of 1925, changing the name of the College of Industrial

Arts to "Texas State College for Women" and repealing all laws in conflict therewith.

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

WITT, Chairman.

Committee Room.

Austin, Texas, Feb. 4, 1927.

Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Educational Affairs, to whom was referred

S. B. No. 48, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 2749, Title 49, Chapter 13 of the Revised Civil Statutes of 1925, relating to the powers and duties of the trustees of common school districts and of independent school districts having fewer than five hundred scholars, according to the last preceding census in a year ending in 0 or in 5; concerning the management and control of public schools and public school grounds in their districts; location and classification of schools therein; employment and dismissal of the teachers and approval of claims against the school funds of their district."

Have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

WITT, Chairman.

Committee Room.

Austin, Texas, Feb. 4, 1927.

Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Educational Affairs, to whom was referred

S. B. No. 45, A bill to be entitled "An Act relating to the duties of the county board of trustees of the public schools of this State, authorizing them to condemn land for school purposes; to subdivide their respective counties into convenient school districts; to increase or reduce the area of school districts; create additional districts; consolidate two or more adjacent districts; subdivide any district; revise or rearrange the boundaries of any school district; attach territory thereto, detach territory therefrom and to adjust, the district properties and bonded indebtedness against such districts and detached or added

territory upon a just and equitable basis and repealing all laws, general or special, in conflict therewith.

Have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with recommendation that it do pass with the following committee amendments, renumbering the Sections.

Committee Amendment No. 1.

Add after Section 8, Section 9 to read as follows:

Sec. 9. Nothing in this Act shall be construed so as to change or affect the law now in effect providing for the creation of county line districts.

Committee Amendment No. 2.

Sec. 10. The expenses incident to the making of the plans and maps mentioned in Section 2 shall be paid out of the general fund of the county upon orders approved by the commissioners' court.

Committee Amendment No. 3.

Amend the caption of the bill and the bill itself so that wherever the words "county board of trustees" appear there shall be substituted the words: "commissioners' court;" and wherever the words "county board" appear, substitute the words "county commissioners"; and wherever the word "trustees" appears substitute the word "commissioners"; and wherever the word "board" appears substitute the word "commissioners".

WITT, Chairman.

Committee Room.

Austin, Texas, Feb. 3, 1927.

Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Internal Improvements, to whom was referred

S. B. No. 229, A bill to be entitled "An Act releasing the inhabitants of, and property subject to taxation for levee improvements in City and County of Dallas Levee Improvement District and Dallas County Levee Improvement District Number 5, for a period of twenty-five (25) years from the payment of ad valorem taxes levied for State purposes, because of great public calamities in said levee district caused by waters and calamitous overflows, as provided in Sec-

tion 10, of Article 8, of the State Constitution, providing that each of said levee districts shall create such indebtedness as may be necessary to prevent the recurrence of such calamities by the issuance of bonds, or otherwise lending their credit, in the manner provided by the general laws applicable to such districts, and in case of the failure of the said districts to create such indebtedness by or before October 1, 1927, said Act shall become null and void, and said taxes collected in the usual manner and paid into the State Treasury; and declaring an emergency."

Have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

LOVE, Chairman.

Committee Room.

Austin, Texas, Feb. 3, 1927.

Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Internal Improvements, to whom was referred

S. B. No. 144, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Article 4011 of the Revised Civil Statutes of 1925, so as to repeal that portion of said Article requiring that if any corporation, company, association, or person mentioned in Article 4005 of the Revised Civil Statutes of 1925, shall grant to any minister of religion, a free pass over its lines of railroad, it shall issue like free transportation to each and every minister of religion in this State, who may make application therefor; and declaring an emergency."

Have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

LOVE, Chairman.

Committee Room.

Austin, Texas, Feb. 3, 1927.

Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Internal Improvements, to whom was referred

S. B. No. 228, A bill to be entitled "An Act to control the flood waters of the Trinity River; declaring that a great public calamity exists in the Trinity River Valley that requires immediate legislation for the prevention of the loss of lives and property in said valley; providing for the vot-

ing and authorization of bonds for retarding and controlling the flood waters of the Trinity River; providing a method by which Tarrant County Water Control and Improvement District No. 1 may cooperate with the State of Texas in the construction of Flood Storage and Retarding Basins by which and through which the flood waters of the Trinity River will be controlled or retarded, etc., and declaring an emergency."

Have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

LOVE, Chairman.

Committee Room.

Austin, Texas, Feb. 3, 1927.

Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Internal Improvements, to whom was referred

S. B. No. 259, A bill to be entitled "An Act to aid in protection of the property and lives of the citizens of Starr County from further disastrous and calamitous overflows and conserving and increasing the State revenue derived from said county by granting and donating to Starr County, for a term of twenty-five years, or so much thereof as may be necessary, a portion of the State ad valorem taxes levied and collected on property subject to taxation in said county, to be used in part payment of interest and sinking fund of bonds to be issued by said county to provide for the construction of necessary breakwaters, levees, dikes, floodways, and drainways to protect said county from such overflows, and providing for the administration of this Act, and declaring an emergency."

Have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

LOVE, Chairman.

Committee Room.

Austin, Texas, Feb. 4, 1927.

Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Internal Improvements, to whom was referred

S. B. No. 222, A bill to be entitled "An Act granting to the Harris County Ship Channel Navigation Dis-

trict of Harris County, Texas, or its successors, and defining such successors, all right, title and interest of the State of Texas, to certain islands and lands subject to overflow, and lands lying under the waters of Peggy's Lake, San Jacinto Bay, Burnett Bay, Crystal Lake, Scott's Bay, Mitchell Bay, Black Duck Bay, the San Jacinto River and Buffalo Bayou and tributary waterways, within Harris County Navigation District as far as the State may own same, for public purposes and for the development of commerce only, and granting to the Navigation District and its successors other rights, etc., and declaring an emergency.

Have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

LOVE, Chairman.

Austin, Texas, Feb. 4, 1927.

Committee Room.

Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Constitutional Amendments, to whom was referred

S. J. R. No. 4, A joint resolution "Proposing an amendment to Article 3, Section 24 of the Constitution of the State of Texas providing for the salary of members of the Legislature, providing the length of said session, providing for the mileage and per diem for the members of the Legislature in going to and returning from the seat of government, providing for the method of computing said mileage and per diem in going to and returning from all sessions, and providing for the submission of such amendment for ratification or rejection at the next general election; and making an appropriation to defray the expenses of submitting and voting on said amendment."

S. J. R. No. 9, A joint resolution "Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Texas increasing the compensation of the Secretary of State, Attorney General, Comptroller of Public Accounts, the Treasurer, and the Commissioner of the General Land Office."

S. J. R. No. 10, A joint resolution "Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Texas

relating to mileage and per diem of members of the Legislature."

S. J. R. No. 12, A joint resolution "Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Texas increasing the compensation of the Governor."

Have had same under consideration, and I am instructed to report them back to the Senate with the recommendation that they be not passed, but that the committee substitute be passed in lieu thereof.

STUART, Chairman.

Committee Room.

Austin, Texas, Feb. 4, 1927.

Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Constitutional Amendments, to whom was referred

S. J. R. No. 15, A joint resolution "Proposing to amend Sections 4, 5, 12, 16, 22 and 23 of Article IV, Constitution of Texas."

Have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass with committee amendments.

STUART, Chairman.

Committee Room.

Austin, Texas, Feb. 4, 1927.

Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Constitutional Amendments, to whom was referred

S. J. R. No. 6, A joint resolution "Proposing an amendment to Article XVI of the Constitution of Texas, by the addition of a new section to said Article XVI, to be numbered Section 65; providing legislative authority for the enactment of laws to encourage the conservation of the timber resources of the State, and for the reforestation of deforested lands; for the administration of such laws; for the time and manner of voting upon such proposed constitutional amendment; defining certain duties of the Governor in connection therewith; and making an appropriation to defray the expenses of proclamation, publication and election."

Have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

STUART, Chairman.

Committee Room.

Austin, Texas, Feb. 4, 1927.

Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Constitutional Amendments, to whom was referred

S. J. R. No. 16, A joint resolution "Proposing to amend Section 30, Article XIV, Constitution of Texas."

Have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

STUART, Chairman.

Committee Room.

Austin, Texas, Feb. 4, 1927.

Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Constitutional Amendments, to whom was referred

S. J. R. No. 17, A joint resolution "Proposing to amend Sections 14 and 16, Article VIII, Constitution of Texas."

Have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

STUART, Chairman.

Committee Room.

Austin, Texas, Feb. 4, 1927.

Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Constitutional Amendments, to whom was referred

S. J. R. No. 18, A joint resolution "Proposing to amend Sections 3 and 4, Article III, of the Constitution of Texas."

Have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

STUART, Chairman.

Committee Room.

Austin, Texas, Feb. 4, 1927.

Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Constitutional Amendments, to whom was referred

S. J. R. No. 14, A joint resolution "Proposing to amend Sections 2, 4, 6, 7, 9, 15, 18, 20, 21 and 23, Article V, of the Constitution of Texas."

Have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the

recommendation that it do pass with committee amendment.

STUART, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, Feb. 4, 1927.

Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Constitutional Amendments, to whom was referred

S. J. R. No. 13, A joint resolution "Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Texas as follows: Section 3 of Article 7, relating to taxation for free public school purposes and the distribution thereof and providing free textbooks for certain scholastics."

Have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass with committee amendments.

STUART, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, Feb. 4, 1927.

Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Insurance, have had S. B. No. 256 under consideration and I am instructed to report same back with recommendations that it do pass.

MOORE, of Hunt, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, Feb. 4, 1927.

Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Insurance, have had S. B. No. 268 under consideration and I am instructed to report same back with recommendations that it do pass.

MOORE, of Hunt, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, Feb. 4, 1927.

Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Insurance, have had S. B. No. 194 under consideration and I am instructed to report same back with recommendations that it do pass.

MOORE, of Hunt, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, Feb. 4, 1927.

Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Insurance, have had S. B. No. 252 under consideration and I am instructed

to report same back with recommendations that it do pass.

MOORE, of Hunt, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, Feb. 4, 1927.

Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Insurance, have had S. B. No. 12 under consideration and I am instructed to report same back with recommendations that it do pass.

MOORE, of Hunt, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, Feb. 4, 1927.

Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Insurance, have had S. B. No. 221 under consideration and I am instructed to report same back with recommendations that it do pass.

MOORE, of Hunt, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, Feb. 4, 1927.

Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Insurance, have had S. B. No. 253 under consideration and I am instructed to report same back with recommendations that it do pass.

MOORE, of Hunt, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, Feb. 4, 1927.

Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Insurance, have had S. B. No. 255 under consideration and I am instructed to report same back with recommendations that it do pass.

MOORE, of Hunt, Chairman.

(Majority Report.)

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, Feb. 4, 1927.

Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, a majority of your Committee on Insurance, to whom was referred S. B. No. 218 have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report same back with recommendations that it do pass.

MOORE, of Hunt, Chairman.

(Minority Report.)

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, Feb. 4, 1927.

Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, a minority of your Com-

mittee on Insurance, to whom was referred S. B. No. 218, beg to differ with a majority of your Committee and report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do not pass.

HOLBROOK,
PRICE.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Feb. 4, 1927.
Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Judicial Districts, to whom was referred H. B. No. 169, have had same under consideration, and I am instructed to report same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be not printed.

PRICE, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Feb. 4, 1927.
Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Judicial Districts, to whom was referred,

H. B. No. 112, A bill to be entitled "An Act to change and prescribe the time for holding the terms of district court in the Thirty-third Judicial District; to make all writs and process issued or served before this Act takes effect, including recognizances and bonds, returnable to the terms of court in the several counties in said district as herein fixed; to validate the summoning of grand and petit jurors under the present law so as to render them available under the Act; to provide for the continuation of court in session in said district when this Act takes effect, to the end of the term; to repeal all laws and parts of laws in conflict herewith, and providing for an emergency."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, and be not printed.

PRICE, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Feb. 4, 1927.
Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Judicial Districts, to whom was referred,

S. B. No. 265, A bill to be entitled "An Act transferring the civil and

criminal jurisdiction of the county court of Edwards County to the district court of said county; providing that hereafter said county court shall have jurisdiction only in probate matters; providing for the transfer of cases and making provision for all things incidental to the purpose of this Act, and declaring an emergency."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, and be not printed.

PRICE, Chairman.

SEVENTEENTH DAY.

Senate Chamber,
Austin, Texas,
Monday, February 7, 1927.

The Senate met at 10:00 o'clock a. m., pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by Lieutenant Governor Barry Miller.

The roll was called, a quorum being present, the following Senators answering to their names:

Bailey.	Neal.
Berkeley.	Pollard.
Bledsoe.	Price.
Bowers.	Real.
Fairchild.	Reid.
Floyd.	Russek.
Greer.	Smith.
Hall.	Stuart.
Hardin.	Triplett.
Holbrook.	Ward.
Lewis.	Westbrook.
Love.	Wirtz.
McFarlane.	Wood.
Moore.	Woodward.

Absent.

Parr.

Witt.

Absent—Excused.

Miller.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Pending the reading of the Journal of yesterday, the same was dispensed with on motion of Senator Woodward.

Petitions and Memorials.

(See Appendix.)

Committee Reports.

(See Appendix.)